

rely on his professionalism and responsiveness.

Upon graduation from Chatham High School in Massachusetts, Commander Meservey attended Norwich University as an Army Reserve Officer Training Corps scholar, graduating magna cum laude and with a commission as an Army Aviation officer in 1985. He completed flight training at Fort Rucker, AL in 1986 and served as a Black Hawk helicopter pilot through the last days of the Cold War in Cyprus and Germany. Assignments included serving as a Flight Platoon Leader, aviation Company Executive Officer, and United States Embassy Liaison Officer to a classified State Department mission. While in Europe, he deployed to Ethiopia to participate in an internationally sensitive search and rescue operation for the late Congressman Mickey Leland and planned Return of Forces to Germany 1990 for an aviation battalion. For his efforts working with the U.S. Air Force in Ethiopia, he was personally decorated by the Army's Chief of Staff, General Carl Vuono. Upon his return to the United States, he graduated from the U.S. Army's Aviation Officer Advanced Course as an Honor Graduate.

In 1990, Commander Meservey accepted a direct commission in the U.S. Coast Guard as a Lieutenant Junior Grade and initially served at Air Station Clearwater, FL as an HH-3F and HH-60J search and rescue pilot and flew in support of Operation Bahamas and Turks and Caicos, working closely with the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Department of Defense, and the Commonwealth of the Bahamas Drug Enforcement Unit to stem the flow of illegal drugs entering the United States through the Caribbean.

In 1994, he transferred to Air Station Cape Cod and served as an HH-60J Instructor Pilot and Flight Examiner. While serving as the unit's Public Affairs officer, he earned back-to-back CDR Jim Simpson awards for excellence in media relations. He participated in numerous hazardous weather search and rescue operations and planned and provided air security for Constitution Sail 200, the USS CONSTITUTION's first sail alone in over 116 years.

In 1998, he attended Syracuse University's Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs as a full graduate scholar, earning a Master of Public Administration degree. Following graduate school, Commander Meservey completed a two-year assignment with the U.S. Department of Transportation in Washington, DC in the Office of the Secretary of Transportation as the lead budget analyst for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) responsible for developing and justifying FTA's multi-billion dollar budgets to the President's Office of Management and Budget and the United States Congress.

Commander Meservey returned to Coast Guard aviation in 2001, serving as Deputy Executive Officer and Gulfstream I fixed wing VIP and logistics pilot at Air Station Miami, one of the Coast Guard's largest aviation units. In 2004, he transferred to Air Station Washington where he served as Executive Officer flying the C-37A Gulfstream V executive jet across the globe for Department of Homeland Security Secretaries Ridge and Chertoff and Coast Guard Commandants Collins and Allen. In this assignment, he gained additional international experience working closely with the State Department and foreign militaries and governments ranging from Malaysia to the United Kingdom.

He's recently completed the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's prestigious Seminar XXI, a year-long Washington, DC-based program in foreign politics and international relations.

Commander Meservey has earned numerous military decorations thus far in his twenty-four years of active duty service, including Naval and Army Aviator Wings, the two Meritorious Service Medals, three Coast Guard Commendation Medals, two Army Commendation Medals, two Coast Guard Achievement Medals, the Army Achievement Medal, the Commandant's Letter of Commendation, and a variety of other personal, team and unit commendations.

This week, Commander Meservey will leave his post on the Hill to assume a newly created position as liaison to the Federal Aviation Administration's Unmanned Aircraft Program Office where he will serve as the Coast Guard's voice on all matters relating to unmanned aerial systems in particular and aviation in general.

I am honored to pay tribute to Commander Meservey in the United States Congress, and on behalf of the Representatives and staff who have been fortunate enough to work with him over the past three years. I wish him, his wife Kathleen, and his three children, Nicole, Maura and Seth, the best in their future endeavors.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3288, the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI-08)

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Interstate Maintenance Discretionary

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Howell

Address of Requesting Entity: Michigan Department of Transportation, 425 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan, USA

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 to purchase the right of ways necessary to complete the construction of an interchange and overpass at the interchange of Interstate 96 and Laston Road. The purpose of this project is to provide the eastern and western sides of Livingston County access to the major interstate of I-96 and the remainder of Livingston County. 40 percent of this funding will be used to purchase the right of ways and 60 percent will be used for construction.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI-08)

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Buses & Bus Facilities

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Capitol Area Transportation Authority

Address of Requesting Entity: Capitol Area Transportation Authority, 4615 Tranter Street, Lansing, Michigan, USA

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 for bus purchases, facility renovations, and planning studies. The purpose of this project is to continue to provide citizens of the greater Lansing area with jobs, a vital connection to employers, safe equipment for transportation, and planning studies that may lead to future advanced public transportation projects. 80 percent of the funds will be used to replace old, less-efficient busses with buses that offer greater fuel efficiency, lower cost of maintenance, and omit fewer emissions and 20 percent of the funds will be used to conduct a study to find more efficient, improved public transportation alternatives.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI-08)

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Economic Development Initiatives (EDI)

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Cleary University—Livingston Campus

Address of Requesting Entity: Cleary University, 3750 Cleary Drive, Howell, Michigan, USA

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$250,000 to renovate the Livingston Campus Community Center. This facility is used by the community service agencies, local school districts, and government agencies providing services to low and moderate income individuals. 80 percent of these funds will be used for necessary renovations and upgrades, and 20 percent will be used to enhance energy efficiency.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. THOMAS J. ROONEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Mr. ROONEY. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3288—Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

One request was funded in this bill and is a previously Congressionally authorized project.

\$800,000: State Road (SR) 80, Hendry County, Florida. The entity to receive the funds for the project is Hendry County, Florida located at Courthouse Square, 165 S. Lee Street, La Belle, Florida 33975. SAFETEA-LU, Item 1487 authorized the widening of SR 80 in Hendry County, Florida. SR 80 serves as a major route for the movement of freight and agriculture products throughout the county, as well as a connector between Florida's east and west coast counties. It is the nearest cross-state highway north of I-75, extending from eastern Palm Beach County to Fort Myers on Florida's west coast. Funds will be used to further widen the road from two lanes to four.

All of my projects are Congressionally authorized and go only to public government agencies.